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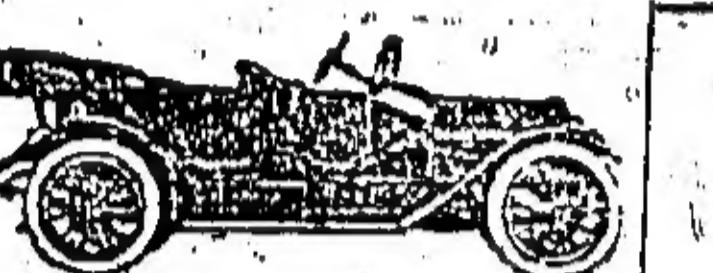
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Feb. 24.
Silver is quoted 47s. The market is quiet.

SINGAPORE, Feb. 24.

Montagu's report says the tone of the market is unchanged. The price has fallen 1/8 in order to adjust parity to the American quotation in view of the reduction in freights, etc. The trade demand is still fairly active. Shanghai exchange is 4/9 tael.

BOMBAY'S GOVERNOR.

The appointment of Captain George Lloyd, M.P., at the age of 39, to be Governor of Bombay may have surprised some members of the Old Gangs, but it came as no surprise to those who have known him and watched his work for years. Yet, I think, says a friend, the greatest service he could ever render to the Empire, and therefore to the Allied cause, was done on the eve of war. He was one of the very few younger men among us who saw clearly and with unerring instinct exactly what was coming. With Lloyd to see was to act. The full story may not be told for years, but Mr. Leo Maxse has lifted a corner of the veil and M. Jules Cambon, the French Ambassador, may tell much more if he ever writes his memoirs. And having done these things, Lloyd modestly mobilised with the Warwickshire Yeomanry as the junior second lieutenant.

I have a long acquaintance with Bombay and its Governors, and believe that Lloyd is the right man for Western India in this critical time. He is fearless in decision, but does not act hastily, and has a dash of that good Quaker blood which implies both prudence and sympathy. He knows the Empire from end to end but the East best of all. Essentially a just man, he has learned by long experience how to acquire and retain the confidence of Eastern races. He came back from India not long ago imbued with the conviction that reforms were imperative, needed there and his appointment is a certain proof that in Bombay they will be handled in a liberal spirit.

Few young Britons have lived a more active and varied life. Lloyd learned diplomacy in the Constantinople Embassy, and practical business affairs in the great bank which bears the name of his family. He fought two of the hardest elections of our times and with unfailing good humour won his seat in spite of the doleful predictions of all the experts. He made his mark in the House. His report on British trade in Asiatic Turkey and Mesopotamia, the best bit of work of the kind I know, was the fruit of long study and travel. His reward was that the Board of Trade made it "confidential," and no one heard of it until ten years afterwards, when he received a belated decoration.

His D.S.O. is no complimentary honour, for he went ashore with the first "Anzacs" at Gallipoli, and the "Gazette" made the proud statement that for months he risked his life again and again. He had seen fighting before with the Serbs in the Balkan Wars. He was with Allenby in Sinai and Palestine; with Maude in "Mespot"; with the troops of the King of the Hedjaz in Arabia; and with the Russians in Galicia, after going on a special mission to the Czar. Yet to get a word out of him about his experiences is like bombing a German out of a dug-out.

Lloyd knows Courts and camps, the Chancelleries of Europe, Parliament, society, the wild places of the earth and the peoples of the East; but he is equally at home in industrial England, by hereditary connection, and in the old party day, his name stood among the six best speakers for working-class audiences. His natural bent, however, is executive and administrative, and in the Governorship of Bombay he has found the right place at last. Younger men are needed in India, and in Lloyd we have got one of the best of them.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

WHY WASTE THEM?

BECAUSE VICTORS CANNOT
AGREE HOW TO DIVIDE.

LONDON, February 22nd.

The papers state that the British Admiralty will urge on the Peace Conference that the surrendered German fleet be sunk, and that the Atlantic and Heligoland forts be seized by German labour at the expense of the German Government.

THE BATTLE OF JUTLAND.

LONDON, February 22nd.

A detailed account of the Battle of Jutland, compiled from British official records, finally disposed of the German assertions regarding the number of German ships that escaped British gun-fire.

It states that twelve battleships, five battle-cruisers, and ten light-cruisers were hit, while the battleship "Otranto" was mined. Five destroyers are known to have been sunk. The battle-cruiser "Luetow" sustained at least forty direct hits and was torpedoed twice. She was abandoned and finally sunk by two German torpedoes. The casualties of the "Luetow" were 4,600.

The account vividly described the terrible battering given to the battleship "Koenig" and the battle-cruiser "Seydlitz".

The former was struck fifteen times.

Four of her forward compartments were flooded as the result of direct hits. The ship settled by her head and listed to port, and the starboard compartments had to be re-floated to right her.

The crew, in the forward torpedo tube, were imprisoned and only extricated on January 21st, when the "Koenig" was dry-docked at Hamburg. They were kept alive by food being supplied through the voice-pipe. Rear-Admiral Ehrcke, standing on the fore-bridge, was wounded in the head by a splinter.

The "Seydlitz" was hit by twenty-three shells and one torpedo and was beached in a sinking condition. She was subsequently re-floated and decked.

Of twenty-two German battleships engaged, only ten—including the flagship, escaped damage from shell-fire or torpedoes. A few were soon repaired. Others were laid up for months. All the five battle-cruisers engaged suffered heavily.

The following is a complete record of the forces engaged:

BATTLES.—Twenty-four Dreadnoughts, ten attached cruisers, eight battle-cruisers, twelve light-cruisers, eight vessels of the first and second cruiser squadrons, six vessels of the light cruiser squadron and seventy-eight destroyers.

CRUISERS.—Twenty-two battle-ships, sixteen cruisers and seventy-seven destroyers.

It is clearly established that, of the vessels actually in action, preponderance of force lay with the enemy.

AMERICAN REACTIONARIES.

WASHINGTON, February 22nd.

In the Senate, the Republican, Mr. Shantz, introduced a resolution calling on President Wilson to preserve an independent mind until he discusses the League of Nations' scheme with the Senate.

The Republican, Mr. Borah, attacked

the League as the most radical departure

from the American policy of avoiding entanglement. He said that Article ten of the League's constitution makes the United States one of the guarantors of territorial integrity. The British Empire declared that the League was the greatest triumph of British diplomacy for three centuries, and that the scheme was taken almost bodily from the constitution proposed by General Smuts.

GENERAL STRIKE.

COPENHAGEN, February 22nd.

At mid-day, everywhere, a general strike was proclaimed.

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A message from Essen states that an

agreement has been reached between the

Government and representatives of the

Essen Soviet. The general strike called on February 1st, has, consequently, been called off.

COPENHAGEN, February 22nd.

Serious disturbances occurred at Aalborg on Friday. Cavalry and sailors

repeatedly cleared the streets, pouring volleys into the crowds.

UNEMPLOYMENT INCREASING.

LONDON, February 22nd.

The Supreme Council for the Supply

of Relief has published a most interesting report compiled from observations of a number of British officers, who have been investigating the existing conditions in Germany. They visited Berlin, Munich, Hamburg, Hanover, Leipzig, Dresden, Magdeburg and Cassel.

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TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, BRASS AND BRASS-MOUNTED DOUBLE AND TWIN BEDSTEADS, CURTAINS, CARPETS, &c., &c.

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F. A. WELLS,

Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, Feb. 20, 1919.

NOTICES.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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WEDNESDAY and

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Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, Feb. 20, 1919.

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MR. A. J. WALTERS begs to return sincere thanks to his relations and friends for the many expressions of condolence received on his recent bereavement, and also for the beautiful floral tributes sent.

DEATH.

WALTERS.—At the French Hospital, Hongkong, on the 20th February, 1919, Kathleen Eise Lysaught, the beloved wife of Alfred J. Walters, No. 9, Broadwood Road.

BIRTH.

GORDON.—On February 18, at Shanghai, the wife of E. H. Gordon, of a daughter.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, Feb. 25, 1919.

THE JUTLAND BATTLE.

The war had a lot of new weapons, like gas, and flying machines, and submarines. It also had one weapon which is anything but new, but which was used more extensively on this than possibly any previous occasion. It was used more or less by all parties to the conflict, but by none more lavishly than the Germans. The allusion is to the weapon of the lie. To the diplomat an ever present help in time of trouble, —though his name for it would be "official dementia," or "terminological inexactitude," or something in that line of decent camouflage—the lie was to the Hun an instinctive weapon either for attack or defence.

We knew that somebody had lied about that Jutland Battle. It was necessary that one or the other story must be false. An American historian decided that neither side had been particularly truthful, and that the battle was a draw. How he could be sure of this on the strength of two untrustworthy witnesses did not appear. The long telegram from

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar also same, 3s. 1 3/16d.

Canton opens its seventh athletic meeting on February 27.

The "Canton Times" says the U. S. S. Helena is back at Canton from Manila.

A Canton soldier has been sentenced to be shot for robbery from a merchant.

Macao is having a carnival on Sunday, March 2, with the usual "battle of flowers."

Pokie P. Wong plays K. K. Leung to-night at the V.R.C. in the Championships Billiards Competition.

To-day's return of communicable disease mentions only one case, a Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever. It ignores the epidemic of gamblingitis.

Major P. Nevill, R.G.A. left for Home on the "Mishima Maru" after being stationed here for over seven years. Major Nevill is accompanied by Mrs. Nevill.

The date of the Hongkong Poultry Association's meeting (dog and poultry) has been altered to Friday, 28th inst. See advt. in another part of this paper.

"Vanity Fair" opens to-morrow night at the Theatre Royal. A good place to go for either winners or losers. The latter will be cheered up the gaiety of the former augmented.

The Hongkong Tramway Company's traffic receipts for the week were \$13,602, or \$581 more than in the corresponding week of last year. The aggregate for the eight weeks was \$114,493, or \$7,154 more than in the same portion of last year.

Snatching a gold mounted rattan bangle from the wrist of a Chinese baby, a thief was caught in Queen's Road East and brought before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning. His plea was that destitution forced him to steal. He was sent to prison for four months and was also ordered to be birched.

The British novelist whose article on English and American manners is reproduced elsewhere in this issue shows a characteristic British boastfulness coupled with blindness to facts. He says "we have ingrained respect for the individual conscience which is at the bottom of all free institutions." Anyone who can claim that after the treatment of the "conscientious objectors" during the war is not a competent witness to anything.

The staging of "Pinkie" to be produced on March 21 will surpass anything ever done before by the A.D.C. Some of the best musical talent has been secured and over fifty girls and children will be featured in the show. The music of "Pinkie and the Fairies" is by Frederick Norton, composer of "Chu Chin Chow", and although the play was first produced in London over ten years ago, it is still toured in the Provinces and always enjoys phenomenal popularity.

Mr. W. Glendinning's house at Morrison Hill Road was late last night visited by two thieves who got into his fowl-house and stole seven of the birds. The poultry, disturbed at their roost, raised such a commotion that the cook boy was awakened, and he gave chase to the thieves. One of them succeeded in making his escape. The pursuit of the other thief, was so closely maintained that he was forced to drop his booty. He eventually ran into the arms of a constable at Bowrington Bridge, and was this morning given six weeks' jail by Mr. J. R. Wood.

WARNER BARNES & CO's last fortnightly circular, to hand is dated Jan. 31.

Hemp.—It says there have been no important transactions in hemp, but dealers maintain a firm front on the strength of the improvement in the New York spot market. Receipts since Jan. 1 were 79,516 bales, and clearances 31,062 bales. Exports at from £24 13s. 6d. £15 13s. 3d. downwards to £13 13s. 6d. per ton f.o.b. Total exports to date 6,072 tons.

Copra.—Market weak. Large mills not buying. Oil prices in U.S.A. declined, £26 18s. 6d. per ton for sun-dried. Exports 1,000 tons.

Coal.—A declining tendency, in sympathy with freights. Forthright's imports totalled 18,463 tons.

Rice.—Declined prices on a false rumour of Government buying. Further fall probable. Round about.

Flour.—Surplus stocks abundant. Pesos 25 per barrel, landed.

Freights.—Weak and inactive.

NEW GOVERNOR.

NOT A MILITARY MAN.

CEYLON'S COLONIAL SECRETARY.

The successor of Sir Henry May is appointed.

It isn't Sir Julian Byng. It isn't anybody the quid-nuncs guessed it would be. It isn't even a military man. Here is the official notice as received by the "China Mail" to-day.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, Feb. 23, 1919.

Sir, —I am directed to inform you that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has received a telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the effect that His Majesty the King has been pleased to appoint Mr. Reginald Edward Stubbs, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary, Ceylon, to be Governor of Hongkong.—Yours, Sir, your obedient servant,

A. G. M. Fletcher,

Colonial Secretary.

Mr. Stubbs is 48 years of age, having been born on October 18, 1870. He is the youngest son of the late Rt. Rev. William Stubbs, who was a Doctor of Divinity and one time Bishop of Oxford.

His Excellency the New Governor is a married man, having espoused in 1900 a daughter of F. W. Womack M.B., a lecturer on Physics at Bart's Hospital. He has two sons.

He was educated at Radley and Corpus Christi, took first class Mods. in 1897, 1st Litt. Hum. in 1899, and his B.A. in the same year.

He began his official career in 1900, as a Second Class Clerk in the Colonial Office. By 1907 he was Acting First Class Clerk, and received substantive appointment as such in 1910. In 1911 he was sent out to Malaya on a special mission, and visited Hongkong at the same time.

He was a member of the West African Lands Committee in 1912, and in the following year was appointed Colonial Secretary of Ceylon. From January to October 1913 he was Officer Administering that Government. He was awarded the C.M.G. in 1914.

He is a Fellow of the Zoological Society, and "Who's Who" credits him with the publication of Lucas Historical Geography, vol. I, 2nd edition, 1906.

RACING AND BETTING IN JAPAN.

Mr. "Bert" Goodman, has been "doing" the racecourses of the Far East, and in communicating his impressions to "The Statesman," he remarks "The meetings promoted by the Nippon Race Club at Yokohama are the queerest of the lot. The races are mostly for country-bred, and Cup day is the big day of the year, when a Cup presented by His Majesty the Emperor is run for." Mr. Goodman was present when this race was decided on May 18 and said it was really laughable to see the pomp and circumstance which attended the presentation of the Cup, which was worth at the outside 500 rupees. The Crown Prince made the presentation, surrounded by a glittering army of officers. The second prize was roughly about £20. The Cup was won by a horse named Dorian and Mr. Goodman was among those who received a card saying: "Dorian requests the pleasure of your company at his stable after the race." To the stable was attached a little room where the delighted owner entertained his horse's guests. This pleasing little custom is one of the novelties of racing in Japan. "The horses," said Mr. Goodman, "are easily two seconds furlong behind ours, and are mostly ridden by Japanese riders. I only saw one European jockey there. Speaking of the betting, he said the entrance fee is two yen (three rupees), and when the visitor pays it he is given two tickets which can be used to bet with. The tickets are put in a box bearing the number of the horse it is desired to back, and the backer retains a counterfoil. The paying out system is arranged alphabetically from A to H, the latter being the shortest "price." It means that the backer gets his yen back, but even then he does not get the "cash"—he gets a one yen chip on a store. When there are over 500 yen on a winner it pays "H," and all the advantage the "winner" has obtained is to exchange his money for a store voucher to the same amount. A man can bet as many yen as he likes, but to discourage gambling he gets no money back, not even his original stake, what is due to him being paid by tickets on the stores. Thus a "winner" may get for his afternoon's sport a suit of clothes or a new hat, or a grand piano, or a motor-car or a man of cigarettes, or the week's supply of groceries."

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THE AMERICAN SOLDIER.

BY ST. JOHN ERVINE.

When we first heard that the American soldiers were in France, there was a great deal of curiosity, mingled with some perturbation, about them among the British soldiers. We had the professional curiosity of the soldier to see of what stuff this new body of fighting men was made. We were anxious, too, to see how they would bear themselves in the trenches, under shell fire, in attack, and in defence. They would come to the war very fresh and fit and with something of the romance and eagerness for adventure with which our men had entered the war; we wondered how they would carry themselves when they had sustained the first shocks of reality. I remember, after the great retreat last March, waiting in Boulogne for a train to take me up the line, and while I waited I saw battalions of young soldiers from England moving from the transports to the rest camps outside the town. Most of them were lads, new to France, and they were very gay as they marched out of the town. When one heard them singing and shouting and laughing, one imagined that time had turned back and that we were in the brave days of 1914 again.

"They'll do damn little singin' when they get up the line." I heard an old soldier saying as he watched the boys go by.

Something of that old soldier's mood was in all of us in France when we heard that the Americans had landed and might at any moment appear in the line. How would they comport themselves? We knew what the war was like, but they had only read about it, and we knew that the difference between the two knowledges was tremendous. We knew, too, that it is impossible to prophesy how men will bear the shock of shell fire and fighting. I have seen men who seemed likely to be of the heroic build behave uncommonly like cravens in time of danger, shrivel from fine, stalwart, assertive men into shuddering, reluctant, and very cautious men; and I have seen men who seemed to be timorous, scared things fight like heroes of romance. Human nerve is a queer, contrary thing that supports you or lets you down in very unexpected ways, and no one will venture, after war experience, to say who is likely to prove to be afraid. The man who is afraid to-day may prove to be tomorrow's hero.

Our perturbation was not concerned with the question of the heroism of the American troops—it was concerned with their vanity. We had been brought up in the tradition that the American is a vainglorious man who regards his country as the only country in the world, and brags incessantly of his own achievements and of the achievements of his fellow-countrymen. We had a fear that he would bounce into our trenches and tell us that he was coming to win this damned war "for us because we were unable to win it ourselves. We thought that he would be too conceited to take tips from us; that he would be loud-voiced, boastful, inconsiderate, and offensive in his manner, and, from a military point of view, imprudent and hasty. We imagined that he would wish to conduct the war in the manner of a boy's story, with lots of dash and splutter and magnificent charges from which, of course, the Boche would stagger back, broken, confused, and defeated.

The reason why Botzen, the chief town in South Tyrol, came to be prematurely occupied by the Italians is described by a correspondent of the Corriere della Sera. It was arranged that the Italians were to reach Botzen on the afternoon of November 6, but on the evening of November 6, the commander of the most advanced Italian group was called to the telephone by some one who insisted that he was in Botzen, speaking over an Austrian wire. The Corriere reports the conversation thus:

"Hello, who is it?"

"The commander of the 11th Army Corps."

"Italian."

"No! Austrian. General von Schenkenstuel himself. Dear sir, in the name of the citizens of Botzen I ask you kindly to send your troops to restore order in the city here."

"But haven't you your own troops?"

"Yes, I have; but that is the trouble. My men are mostly Hungarians—difficult to manage. I pray, general, that your troops may advance at once."

The result of this dialogue was that the Italian Alpini entered Botzen the next morning, and rioting in the town stopped.

The most farcical situations then occurred in the Tyrolean hotels so well known to British tourists. Outraged Austrians and their servants rummaged for their belongings among the piles of luggage belonging to both armies. Servants, not yet dismissed by the vanquished, sought situations with the conquerors, and one officer, whose boots were polished later by a German batman, said that the result was highly creditable to the Teutonic substitute.

It became a common sight to see American officers in our trenches gathering information. In my battalion we had two American doctors, in succession as M.O.'s, and they were liked not only by the officers of the battalion but also by the men. Rumors began to run about the trenches of the way in which the Americans were testing this and testing that, comparing our gas respirator with the French one, accepting this idea from us and that idea from the French, and perhaps another idea from the captured Boche. And training! In no place in the world are so many rumours born and spread as in the trenches; and after a while the stories of the way in which the Americans trained became legendary in character. And a most extraordinary change in our attitude towards them took place. Imagining that they would be full of boasts, we had prepared to deprecate them; finding that they were modest and determined, we actually took to boast-

ing in their behalf, and our favourite expression was, "The Yanks'll put the wind up Jerry when they get at him!" With swift unanimity we decided that the Americans were taking the war seriously.

By this time a great many units of the American Army had been under fire for lengthy periods. They know now what the war is like, and do not need to come into our trenches for tips and advice; and we who watched them as they learned their job are sure that they are applying the knowledge they picked up with great effect and to great purpose.

TENNIS.

The draw for the Open Championship Singles and Open Doubles respectively were as follow:

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OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

1ST ROUND.

- 1.—A. H. Rumjahn Bye
- 2.—T. Mashima "
- 3.—B. W. Bradbury "
- 4.—G. Manley "
- 5.—A. H. Crook "
- 6.—Tan Toon Lay "
- 7.—R. Townsend "
- 8.—V. Yvanovich "
- 9.—F. A. Redmond "
- 10.—Wong Po Keung "
- 11.—N. E. Kent "
- 12.—A. B. Raworth "
- 13.—M. K. Lo Bye
- 14.—M. P. Lo "
- 15.—S. E. Green "
- 16.—Chua Siu Kah "
- 17.—Yew Man Tsun "
- 18.—A. Morse "
- 19.—E. Crocker "

EVENT NO. 2.

OPEN DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.

1ST ROUND.

- 1.—S. H. Dodwell & H. Hancock "
- 2.—Tan Toon Lay & Chua Siu Kah "
- 3.—A. H. Rumjahn & G. Manley "
- 4.—B. W. Bradbury & F. G. Thompson "
- 5.—T. Mashima & H. Sakuma "
- 6.—R. Townsend & E. Crocker "
- 7.—V. Yvanovich & J. M. J. Lopes "
- 8.—F. A. Redmond & N. E. Kent "
- 9.—S. E. Green & E. Abraham "
- 10.—A. B. Raworth & A. Morse "
- 11.—C. C. Hickling & A. D. Humpfley "
- 12.—L. Foster & W. Kay "
- 13.—Yew Man Tsun & Y. C. Chow "
- 14.—A. H. Crook & A. A. Claxton "
- 15.—M. K. Lo & M. H. Lo Bye

COMIC OPERA OCCUPATION OF THE TRENTINO.

Officers in the Trentino describe ludicrous scenes which occurred during the advance of the Italian army of occupation.

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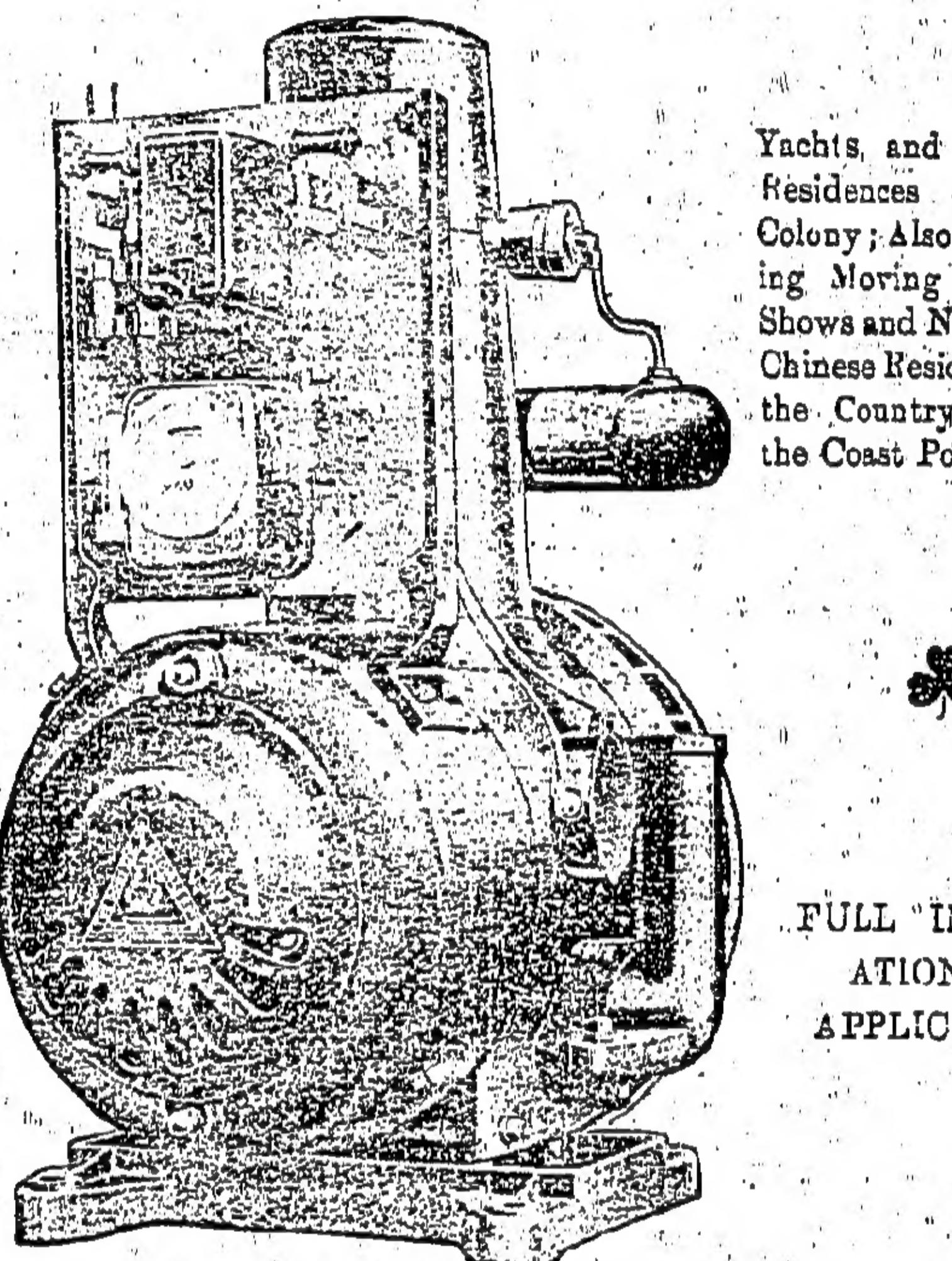
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Haiphong	Lokwong	Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd.	On 27th Feb., at 8 A.M.
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Madras	Yokohama	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 1st Mar., at 11 A.M.
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Madras	Yokohama	Asuka Maru	End of March.
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COMMERCIAL

JAPANESE TESTIMONIAL TO BRITISH MERCHANTS.

"Unscrupulous practices of merchants are now a subject of attention in Japanese commercial circles," according to the Osaka "Mainichi," which proceeds in the following strain, according to the "Japan Chronicle's" translation:—

"The collapse of speculation since the conclusion of the armistice has checked commercial transactions throughout the world, leading to the cancellation of many contracts for the re-sale of articles under contract. This collapse was due to the disappointment of the expectation that the war would continue long. It has rendered it impossible for some Japanese merchants to execute contracts with foreign customers, and they have been compelled to cancel them."

"At the same time it is true that not a few foreign merchants have resorted to similar unscrupulous practices cancelling their contracts to buy from Japan. There has been much denunciation of Japanese practices, but there has been no criticism of foreign practices. Japanese merchants may have themselves to thank for this state of things, but it is none the less true that this is disadvantageous for them."

"It is said that some Japanese merchants contemplate making investigations with regard to unscrupulous practices by foreign merchants with a view to giving them publicity both at home and abroad. In this connexion, however, it should be noted that British merchants are an exception. It is said that Japanese have sustained considerable losses owing to the cancellation of contracts by merchants in South America, Australia and India, and some American merchants. In these cases not only is the stipulated penalty not paid, but the goods already sent and received are not paid for."

"Some Japanese companies have despatched representatives to the foreign countries concerned in order to settle such disputes, but it is not known whether any satisfactory settlement will be possible. In the circumstances the unscrupulous practices of foreign merchants are now a subject of special attention in Japanese commercial circles."

POTASH.

Potash is essential for fertilisers and in certain industries, particularly dyes, drugs and glass production. There are no known natural deposits in Britain. Germany possesses large natural deposits, and we depended for our pre-war supplies of 30,000 tons per annum entirely on potash brought in from the Strassburg Mines. The war put an end to this source of supply, and it became necessary to find alternative sources. Investigation revealed the fact that 50,000 tons of potash were going to waste every year, in the dust or fume from blast-furnace gases. The problem of collecting these dusts was a difficult one. The only known method was the Haber-Beth system—a German invention. This was complicated and required a large amount of steel and labour. The design has been modified to ensure greater reliability, lower capital cost and a small quantity of steel. Plant in hand, and those in course of erection without these modifications, should produce 18,000 tons of potash per annum. In addition, the Ministry has initiated an entirely new method of gas cleaning for the collection of potash-bearing dust from blast-furnace gases. Two large-sized plants are being erected at two blast-furnace works, which should produce about 1,600 tons per annum. It is confidently hoped when these are working, similar plants will be extensively installed, and a considerable increase in potash production obtained. Other sources of potash from what is now waste material, in cement kiln gases and spirit liquors—the liquors derived from washing raw wool—are being investigated. Whilst it is too soon to say definitely that we shall become entirely independent of outside supplies, we are a long way on the road. Given "favour", material and wisdom, we ought to reach the goal of complete independence in a comparatively short time. Germany had relied on her practical monopoly in Europe of natural deposits of potash to enable her to bargain for the recovery of her world market. She will be disappointed. British enterprise and judicious Government assistance have taken that power from her. This is a particularly gratifying example of industrial development. The extraction of the fine dust will not only provide an invaluable supply of potash, but the process of cleaning the fine gases makes the gas available as a source of power. If there were no question of utilising the dust for potash it would still be worth the while of blast-furnace proprietors to install cleaning plants for this purpose alone. "Engineering."

COMMERCIAL

CHINESE RICE FOR JAPAN.

Concerning the import of Chinese rice to Japan no agreement has been so far reached between the Japanese and Chinese authorities. According to a telegram from Peking, dated February 3, although the Chinese Government is in receipt of a proposal from the Japanese authorities, it is not in a position to give a definite reply, reports the "Japan Chronicle's" translation:—

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SUNGEI KART RUBBER.

The net profit for the year, after writing off £492 for depreciation on buildings, machinery, etc., and charging £1,574 for income tax in Sumatra, amounted to £12,870; carry forward, £13,892; less excess profits duty, £11,886; directors' extra remuneration, £590; war charities, £105; dividend on preference shares to June 30, 1917, at the rate of 7 per cent per annum, £700; reserve for manager's and staff's commissions, £1,55. It is now proposed to pay a dividend of 7 per cent on the ordinary shares for the year, £3,913; to transfer to reserve account, £3,000; to carry forward, subject to Nederlandsche War Profits Tax for period to June 30, 1917 (if any) £5,407. In the event of the above recommendations being approved dividend warrants were to be posted on the 20th inst. In conformity with the scheme inaugurated by the Rubber Growers' Association, the output commencing from January 1 has been restricted by 20 per cent as compared with the quantity harvested during 1917, the total rubber crop harvested for the financial period to June 30 being 324,003 lbs. For the current financial year the output is provisionally estimated at 300,000 lbs. Owing to the shortage of freight from Sumatra ports it has not been possible to transport the produce from the company's estate with the usual promptitude. That portion of the crop which was shipped to the United Kingdom and America has been sold at an average net price for all grades of approximately 16.10d. per lb.

MITSUI MATCH COMPANY.

The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha is projecting the establishment of a match company in Dairen with a capital of £500,000, with the object of controlling supplies of phosphorus matches in Manchuria and Siberia. The site of the proposed company has already been purchased, and the construction of the factory will soon be commenced. Supplies of Japanese phosphorus matches to Manchuria amount to value to about £20,000 a year, the principal suppliers being the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Messrs. Masuda & Co, Messrs. Suzuki & Co., and the Chinese merchants in Osaka. There is apt to be competition in price between these merchants, which is having the effect of deteriorating the quality of the merchandise. If a manufacturer makes matches in Dairen, the commercial centre of Manchuria, he will have a considerable advantage over his rivals, because the cost of production is lower, on account of the greater facility in regard to supplies of timber used for making matches. It is said that some time ago the Diamond Company of America, started investigations into the possibilities of the match trade in Manchuria and Siberia, and has been making arrangements with a view to controlling supplies of matches in this part of the world. It seems that the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha has a similar plan, under contemplation, its ideas first taking shape in the projected establishment of a match company in Dairen. It is understood that this concern will receive supplies of machinery, together with experts from the Japan Match Company, of Kōbe, with which the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha is intimately connected.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE RAIDER WOLF.

(Continued from Page 1.)

20 SUBMARINE COMMANDERS
WANTED FOR MURDER.

LONDON, February 21st.
Bentor learns that the Commission which was appointed to investigate into submarine activities procured sufficient evidence to convict twenty submarine commanders of murder. Seven commanders have very bad records and the opinion is that they surrendered for trial by an Allied Naval Tribunal should be included in the Armistice terms.

BOLSHEVIK REVERSES.

LONDON, February 21st.
A British North Russia official committee says:

"The Allies with very slight casualties, carried out a successful operation in which Shcoja, 60 miles southward of Murmansk, on the Murman railway, was destroyed.

The Bolsheviks suffered heavily. Fifty were killed and eighty taken prisoners. Much material was captured, including machine-guns, rifles and rolling-stock.

RED CROSS PLANS.

PARIS, February 21st.
At a Conference of the Presidents of the Red Cross Societies of the United States, France, Great Britain, Italy and Japan, it was decided to appoint a Committee to draw up a programme covering a wider field of activity, including questions appertaining to general hygiene, tuberculosis and also to the welfare and hygiene of children. The scheme should provide for the organisation of flying columns ready to proceed to any part of the world with doctors, supplies and with food, when famine or disease breaks out.

The working headquarters will probably be established at Cannes.

CLEMENCEAU'S CONDITION.

PARIS, February 21st.
M. Poincaré conversed lengthily with M. Clemenceau this afternoon.

M. Clemenceau sleeps in an armchair at night, as the recurrent position on which the bed causes coughing. His condition is satisfactory.

PARIS, February 21st.
A Bulletin issued this morning states that M. Clemenceau was rather restless last night. After receiving forty visitors yesterday, he was a little more fatigued to-day. He is absolutely forbidden to speak. His temperature is 98.7; pulse normal.

TURKISH LOSSES.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 22nd.
Official returns show that the Turkish war losses were:

Killed 437,000

Wounded 408,000

Prisoners 104,000

SPIRITS.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 22nd.
The British made several arrests in connection with the ill-treatment of Kossuth war-prisoners.

London, February 21st.
The Press Bureau states:

The Cabinet has decided that the quantity of spirits to be released shall be increased by 50 per cent.

SILVER.

LONDON, February 23rd.
The silver market is steady.

ARRIVALS OF STEAMERS.

FEBRUARY 24, 1919.
KYO MARU, Jap., 540 tons, from Swatow, Capt. Kitajima, U. S. K. Wancho.

HAIHONG, Brit., 1,270 tons, from Swatow, Capt. Evans, D. Lapraik & Co. wharf.

BRISBANE, Brit., 716 tons, from Quimby, Capt. McLellan, Carmichael, and Clarke, A.

KWONG YING, Chi., 407 tons, from Wuchow. Capt. Paus, Kai Kong wharf.

PERANANG, Brit., 1,012 tons, from Bangkok, Capt. Nicoll, Bonham Strand, CIS.

PIERRE MICHEL, French, 157 tons, from Docks Capt. Besson, Hong Kat, CIS.

ELLENOR, Brit., 4,518 tons, from Singapore, Capt. Andrews, B. & S.

SLIM SHING, Brit., 1,449 tons, from Siam, Capt. Muir, Kung Yuen, C40.

TAI MING, Brit., 237 tons, from Wuchow, Capt. Williams, Kwong Wing, wharf.

CLEARANCES.

FEBRUARY 24, 1919.
HSIN TAH, Chi., 10 a.m., for Canton, China Merchants.

YUSANG, Brit., 9.30 a.m., for Shanghai, J.M. & Co.

TJEPANAB, Dutch, 11 a.m., for Batavia, via Bantam, J.C.L.

HANGHOU, Brit., 1 p.m., for Wuhu.

PR. TESLAUS, Brit., 10 a.m., for Singapore, J.S.

IBUSAN MARU, Jap., 7 a.m., for Keelung via Swatow, U.S.K.

JOSSHIN MARU, Jap., 10 a.m., for Keelung via Swatow, U.S.K.

MISHIMA MARU, Jap., 11 a.m., for London via Singapore, N.Y.K.

SUTYANG, Brit., noon, for Canton, B. & S.

KOYO MARU, Jap., 8 p.m., for Keelung, O.S.K.

TOYO MARU, No. 1, Jap., noon, for Canton, O.S.K.

TAIHWONG, Dutch, 5 p.m., for Bangkok, T.O.J.I.

FEBRUARY 25, 1919.

CHIPEHNG, Brit., noon, for Tientsin, J.M. & Co.

LIAN, Brit., 10 a.m., for Bangkok via Swatow, B. & S.

AGAMEMON, Brit., 6 a.m., for Singapore, B. & S.

HAI KONG, Chi., 6 a.m., for Shanghai, China Merchants.

PATRIOT, Brit., 8 a.m., for Koloa, Miller.

PIERRE MICHEL, 6 a.m., for Haiphong, via Pahoi, Hing Fat.

NAM WAN, Port. 8 a.m., for Holloway, Dr. Pak Leong.

NOTICES.

ARROW SHIRTS

ARROW COLLAR

POST OFFICE.

The parcel post service to Cuba is suspended.

It is notified that all restrictions to the use of wireless Telegraphy by Merchant Vessels on the China Station have been abolished.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

No unofficial letter addressed to Abadan, Ahwaz or Mohammor in the Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in weight.

The insured letter and insured parcel service between Egypt (or in transit through Egypt) and Cyprus are temporarily suspended.

Uninsured parcels for the United Kingdom will in future be forwarded from Hongkong in bags and the Public are therefore advised to pack such parcels very carefully.

Until further notice parcels for civil addresses in the provinces of Unini, Vicenz, Trivise Padus, Venise and Belluno in Italy will not be accepted for transmission unless posted under the British War Office Permit.

The Parcel Post Services to British East Africa and Egypt (except for members of the Expeditionary Forces), and to Abyssinia, Egiad, Frithrea, French Somal Coast, Italian Somaliland, Portuguese East Africa, Tanganbar and Russia have been suspended.

Registered and Parcel Mails close 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated.

In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m. Registration closes at 5 o'clock on the previous evening.

INWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, February 26.
Manila and U.S.A. — Per SHINYO MARU.

SATURDAY, March 1.
Straits — Per DILWARA.

OUTWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, February 26.
Bangkok — Per DIVA, 9 a.m.

Saigon — Per CASTLEFIELD, 9 a.m.

Haiphong — Per HANOI, 11 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Kobe, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via San Francisco — Per COLOMBIA, Registration 2.15 p.m., Letters 3.00 p.m.

Bangkok — Per NANYO MARU, No. 2, 5 p.m.

Saigon — Per LIENSHING, 5 p.m.

Hoihew and Pahoi — Per ALICORNE, 5 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Takao — Per SOSEH MARU, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY 28th. Matines at 8.15 p.m.
showing — "THE DAUGHTER OF MAC GREGOR," 5 parts.

WEDNESDAY, February 26.
Straits and China — Per TAMING, 9 a.m.

Shanghai and North China — Per SUYIANG, 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, February 28.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow — Per HATTAN, 1 p.m.

Philippine Islands — Per YUENSANG, 2 p.m.

SATURDAY, March 1.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via Victoria, B.C. — Per AFRICA MARU, Registration 11.45 a.m., Letters 12.30 p.m.

Shanghai and North China — Per CHENAN, 5 p.m.

Amoy, Shanghai and North China — Per TIMANOEK, 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, March 2.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Takao — Per AMAKURA MARU, 5 a.m.

SHANGHAI, 5 p.m.

Amoy, Shanghai and North China — Per TUNNING, 11 a.m.

TUESDAY, March 4.
Shanghai and North China — Per TEAN, 3 p.m.

THURSDAY, March 6.
Haiphong — Per KAI FONG, 9 a.m.

Shanghai and North China — Per SUNNING, 11 a.m.

REVOLTING STORY FROM EAST AFRICA.

From East Africa, the British Government has received information of a revolting incident happily rare in British Colonial history.

writes a correspondent to the London "Daily News." An East African

lived some time last year was dis-

covered stealing four or five cows

from the stores of a white man — Mr. H. E. Watts, of Lumbwa. The native was

then subjected to the most frightful

floggings.

According to the evidence in the

court, the man was first flogged by

Mr. Watts, and later on an em-

ployee, another white man, named

Betschart, associated himself with

the punishment. After the first flog-

ging, it was stated in evidence, the

native was thrown into a pond and

made to stand in it until he attempted

to burn the body.

In September Watts and Betschart

were placed on trial at Nakuru, when the jury rejected the

charge of murder brought against

them, and found them guilty only of

"simple hurt" and "hurt" respec-

tively. The judge then bound

over Betschart in a sum of 1,500

rupees for good behaviour for twelve

months, and Watts was fined 1,000

rupees, or six months' rigorous im-

prisonment. The fine in the latter

case has, it is understood, been paid.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

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